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## CONFERENCE CHRONOLOGICAL ROLL

Year	NAME	NATIVITY	Address
1905	Blackstock, W. E.	Canada	San Antonio, Tex.
1923	Cassells, Delos	Mississippi	Gloster, Miss.
1906	Corbin, Bruce B.	New York	Lake Charles, La.
1918	Denny, J. S.	Missouri	Woodville, Tex.
1903	Elliott, Chas. L.	Ceylon	Kinder, La.
1910	Ensign, F. J.	Wisconsin	Jennings, La.
1910	Faulk, H. K.	Louisiana	Lake Charles, La.
1921	Gaskins, S. P.	Texas	Oklahoma City Coll
1891	Gower, L. E.	Illinois	Lyford, Tex.
1922	Hamner, W. F.		Alamo, Tex.
1901	Harrison, W. E.	Louisiana	Wilmot, Ky.
1911	Harper, G. L.	Mississippi	
1903	Hervey, J. W.	Texas	Basile, La.
1902	Leonard, H. C.	Ohio	Houston, Tex.
1898	Lively, J. W.	Arkansas	Marshall, Tex.
1880	Loy, F. W.	Illinois	Terra Haute, Ind.
1920	Mann, W. C.	Texas	Hallsville, Tex.
1922	Manning, S. J.	Missouri	San Juan, Tex.
1922	Maund, L. V.	Texas	Keatchie, La.
1912	Perkins, C. A.	Texas	La Porte, Tex.
1908	Pohl, H. H. E.	Illinois	Brownsville, R.F.D. 1
1923	Powell, E. A.	Illinois	Alvin, Tex.
1907	Pynes, R. T.	Alabama	Marshall, Tex.
1886	Robinson, C. R.	Michigan	Port Arthur, Tex.
1900	Rodgers, C. W.	Iowa	Welsh, La.
1911	Ragsdale, C. H.	Indiana	Texas City, Tex.
1892	Shrode, T. J.	Indiana	Lutcher, La.
1890	Stokes, W. T.	Alabama	Port Arthur, Tex.
1911	Swanson, R. G.	Texas	Weaver, La.
	Van Valkenburgh, W. B.		Basile, La.
1906	Ward, W. R.	Missouri	Port Arthur, Tex.
1905	Weldon, R. L.	Louisiana	DeQuincey, La.
1912	Wynne, A. M.	Louisiana	Crowley, La.
1901	Yockey, S. H.	Pennsylvania	Lake Charles, La.

### PROBATIONERS

Year	NAME	NATIVITY	Address
1922	Jongema, Henry	Holland	Garrett Bib. Inst.
1921	Jones, Daniel L.	Kansas	Garrett Bib. Inst.
1924	Carrington, Alton		Logansport, La. R. 4
1924	LaGrone, Daniel X		Shreveport, La. R. 2, Bx. 335
1924	McLain, E.		Brownsville, Tex. R.F.D. 1

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## OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE

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Bishop Ernest Lynn Waldorf.....	Presiding Bishop
Harry C. Leonard.....	Secretary
S. H. Yockey.....	Assistant Secretary
B. B. Corbin.....	Assistant Secretary
W. E. Blackstock.....	Statistician
F. J. Ensign.....	Assistant Statistician
L. V. Maund.....	Assistant Statistician
S. J. Manning.....	Assistant Statistician
C. W. Rodgers.....	Treasurer
T. J. Shrode.....	Assistant Treasurer
D. X. LaGrone.....	Assistant Treasurer
W. T. Blackstock.....	Auditor
R. T. Pynes.....	Conference Post Master

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## CONFERENCE BOARDS, 1924

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### DISTRICT BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

#### Lake Charles District

B. B. Corbin	H. C. Marshall	E. C. Willard
R. L. Weldon		

#### Houston District

A. M. Wynne	G. E. Carter	H. H. Jones
W. C. Mann		

#### Rio Grande Valley District

H. C. Leonard	E. W. Archer	H. H. E. Pohl
C. H. Green		

### DISTRICT EPWORTH LEAGUE PRESIDENTS

Miss Dora Radike	R. T. Pynes
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### CONFERENCE COMMISSION ON FINANCE

J. W. Hervey	R. T. Pynes	E. C. Willard
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## HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION

## The District Superintendents

Pastors at Lake Charles, Welsh, Jennings, DeQuincey and Iowa

Mrs. D. A. Kelly	H. C. Marshall	G. M. King
E. C. Willard	J. W. Hervey	R. L. Drake
Mrs. A. F. Graham	P. W. Kiplinger	

## FOREIGN MISSIONS

C. W. Rodgers	S. H. Yockey	H. C. Leonard
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## BOARD OF CONFERTNCE STEWARDS ✓

To serve one year

L. E. Gower	R. L. Weldon	S. J. Manning
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To serve two years

W. E. Blackstock	R. T. Pynes	F. J. Ensign
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To serve three years

C. A. Perkins	J. W. Hervey	H. C. Leonard
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## DISTRICT SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

## The District Superintendents

L. B. Abbey	E. X. LaGrone	R. G. Swanson
J. C. Abel	C. A. Perkins	J. J. Miller

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS

J. W. Hervey	F. J. Ensign	B. B. Corbin
R. L. Weldon	C. W. Rodgers	W. E. Blackstock
	H. C. Leonard	

## TRIERS OF APPEALS

R. L. Weldon	H. C. Leonard	C. A. Perkins
S. H. Yockey	R. G. Swanson	C. W. Rodgers

## Reserves

S. J. Manning	W. T. Stokes
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## COMMITTEES

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### PUBLIC WORSHIP

Pastor and District Superintendents

### RESOLUTIONS

S. H. Yockey

H. C. Leonard

C. A. Perkins

### MEMOIRS

R. T. Pynes

C. A. Perkins

J. W. Hervey

### EDUCATION ✓

F. J. Ensign

C. W. Rodgers

H. K. Faulk

C. R. Robinson

J. W. Hervey

D. H. Cassells

S. H. Yockey

R. T. Pynes

J. S. Denny

R. L. Weldon

S. J. Manning

C. W. Rodgers

A. B. Chenier

And District Sunday School Board

### STATE OF THE CHURCH

J. W. Hervey

A. M. Wynne

R. L. Weldon

### SOCIAL SERVICE

Alton Carrington

L. V. Vaughn

S. H. Yockey

### EVANGELISM

R. L. Weldon

R. T. Pynes

C. A. Perkins

J. M. Kenna

H. H. E. Pohl

### FOREIGN MISSIONS

W. T. Stokes

R. T. Pynes

J. M. Kenna

### EPISCOPAL FUND

District Superintendents

## CONFERENCE RELATIONS

J. W. Hervey	C. A. Perkins	R. L. Weldon
F. J. Ensign	H. C. Leonard	

## GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS

R. T. Pynes	C. W. Rodgers	J. W. Hervey
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## HOME MISSIONS

B. B. Corbin	F. J. Ensign	L. V. Maund
H. C. Leonard	A. Palmisano	

## HOSPITALS, HOMES AND DEACONESS

S. H. Yockey	W. B. Hebert	W. C. Mann
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## WORLD SERVICE COUNCIL

R. L. Weldon	B. B. Corbin	E. C. Willard
H. G. Patterson	A. M. Wynne	L. V. Maund
A. B. Chenier	B. P. Wynne	W. E. Blackstock
S. J. Manning	A. E. Sharrar	Mrs. Ella Briggie
H. C. Leonard	C. W. Rodgers	

## CONFERENCE TRUSTEES

As the charter of the Conference granted by the State of Louisiana allows the Conference to elect trustees to hold the funds raised for the Permanent Fund and by action of the Conference the Cal-cisue Bank of Lake Charles is the Trustee of this fund, the twenty-second session of the Conference elected trustees to hold all other funds. These trustees are:

For two years		
H. K. Faulk	H. C. Leonard	C. W. Rodgers

For three years		
C. R. Robinson, Pres.	C. E. Carter	S. O. Scoggins

For one year		
L. E. Gower	E. W. Archer	B. B. Corbin, Treas.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. Is this Annual Conference incorporated according to the requirements of the Discipline? It is in a limited way.

2. Who have been received by Transfer, and from what Conferences? W. B. Van Valkenburgh, New England; Chas. L. Elliott, Nebraska; C. H. Ragsdale, Northwest Kansas; W. R. Ward, Kansas.

3. Who have been re-admitted? None.

4. Who have been received on credentials, and from what Churches? E. McLain, Separate Baptist.

5. Who have been received on trial? (a) In Studies of First Year: Alton Carrington, Daniel X. LaGrone, E. McLain.

6. Who have been continued on trial? (a) In studies of First Year: Daniel L. Jones; Henry Jongema. (b) In studies of Second Year: None. (c) In studies of Third Year: None. (d) In studies of Fourth Year: None.

7. Who have been discontinued? None.

8. Who have been admitted in full membership? (a) Elected and ordained Deacons this year: None. (b) Elected and ordained Deacons previously: None.

9. What members are in the studies of Third Year? (a) Admitted into full membership this year: None. (b) Admitted into full membership previously: None.

10. What members are in studies of Fourth Year? L. V. Maund, S. P. Gaskins, J. S. Denny.

11. What members have completed the Conference Course of Study? (a) Elected and ordained Elders this year: None. (b) Elected and ordained Elders previously: None. (c) Elected and ordained Elders under the Seminary Rule: None.

12. What others have been elected and ordained Deacons? (a) As local preachers: None. (b) Under Missionary Rule: None. (c) Under the Seminary Rule: None.

13. What others have been elected and ordained Elders? (a) As local Deacons: None. (b) Under the Missionary Rule: None.

14. Who have been left without appointment to attend one of our Schools? Daniel L. Jones, Henry Jongema, S. P. Gaskins.

15. Was the character of each preacher examined? It was as his name was called in open Conference.

16. Who have been transferred, and to what Conferences? None.

17. Who have died? N. L. Sayers.

18. Who have been located at their own request? None.

19. Who have been located? None.

20. Who have withdrawn? E. N. Hardin, F. R. Cline.

21. Who have been deprived of the Ministerial Office? None.
22. Who have been permitted to withdraw under charges or complaints? None.
23. Who have been expelled? None.
24. What other personal notation should be made? None.
25. Who are the Supernumerary Ministers, and for what number of years, consecutively has each held this relation? None.
26. Who are the retired ministers? G. L. Harper, J. W. Lively, F. W. Loy, T. J. Shrode, S. H. Yockey.
27. Who have been granted leave of absence? None.
28. Who are the Triers of Appeals? R. L. Weldon, C. A. Perkins, R. G. Swanson, H. C. Leonard, C. W. Rodgers, S. H. Yockey, Reserves: W. T. Stokes, S. J. Manning.
29. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension? See Report.
30. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Foreign Missions? See Report.
31. What is the Statistical Report? See the Statistician's Report.
32. What is the Conference Treasurer's Report? See the Conference Treasurer's Report.
33. (a) What is the aggregate of the Benevolence Collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer? \$9662.00. (b) What is the aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the Annual Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer? \$560.00.
34. What are the claims on the Conference funds? For Annuity Distribution, 161½ years multiplied by the disciplinary rate of \$20.00 per year, \$3,230.00. For necessitous distribution, \$1,170. Total, \$4,400.00.
35. (a) What has been received on these claims? From the Book Concern, \$415.00; from Annual Conference investments, \$95.; from the Chartered Fund, \$35.00; from Pastoral Charges, \$1,505.00; from Board of Pensions and Relief, \$800.00. Total, \$2880.00. (b) How has it been applied? (See Report of Stewards).
36. What amount has been apportioned to the Pastoral Charges within the Conference, to be raised for the support of Conference Claimants? \$3,050.00.
37. What amount has been paid by the Conference Treasurer to the Board of Conference Claimants for Connectional Relief?
38. Is there a Conference Sustentation Fund Society, and what is its Report? None.
39. Where are the preachers stationed? (See List of Appointments).
40. Where shall the next Conference be held? Lake Charles, Louisiana.

## GULF CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS, 1924-25

### HOUSTON DISTRICT

C. R. Robinson, District Superintendent,  
Port Arthur, Texas

Charge	Pastor
Alvin.....	E. A. Powell
Collins Memorial, Houston.....	H. C. Leonard
Deadwood and Bethel (Keatchie, La.).....	L. V. Maund
✓ Hughes Springs.....	(J. M. Kenna)
Jefferson.....	D. X. LaGrone
La Porte.....	C. A. Perkins
Lufkin (2133 6th St. Port Arthur, Texas).....	W. T. Stokes
Marshall.....	R. T. Pynes
✓ Noonday and Wesley (Hallsville, Texas).....	W. C. Mann
Ore City.....	W. C. Mann
Polk Circuit.....	(D. M. Rice)
Port Arthur.....	W. R. Ward
Rock Hill.....	Alton Carrington
Sabine Circuit (Logansport, La., Route 4).....	(B. R. Spraggins)
South Houston (1502 Hts. Blvd., Houston, Tex.).....	(J. M. Bennington)
San Antonio.....	W. E. Blackstock
Texas City.....	C. H. Ragsdale
Woodville.....	J. S. Denny

### LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT

Bruce B. Corbin, District Superintendent,  
Lake Charles, Louisiana

Charge	Pastor
Auburn.....	(T. D. Parot)
Bayou Chene.....	(Mrs. Annie Fowler)
Basile and Elton.....	W. B. Van Valkenburgh
DeQuincey.....	R. L. Weldon
Ebenezer.....	A. M. Wynne
Gloster, (Mississippi).....	D. H. Cassels

## LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT—(Continued)

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Kinder and Iowa.....	C. L. Elliott
Jennings and Raymond.....	F. J. Ensign
Lake Charles.....	Haughton K. Faulk
Loranger.....	(J. L. Irvin)
Lutcher.....	T. J. Shrode
New Orleans, First Italian.....	(A. Palmisano)
Quitman and Weaver.....	R. G. Swanson
Sweet Lake, Gueydon and Cameron (Belle City, La.).....	(W. B. Hebert)
Welsh.....	C. W. Rodgers

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## RIO GRANDE VALLEY DISTRICT

S. J. Manning, District Superintendent,  
San Juan, Texas

Charge	Pastor
Alamo.....	W. F. Hamner
El Jardine and South Point.....	E. McLain
Lyford.....	L. E. Gower
Rangerville Circuit.....	H. H. E. Pohl
Rio Hondo.....	(To be supplied)
Sabastian Circuit.....	L. E. Gower
San Juan.....	S. J. Manning

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## SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

J. W. Hervey.....	President of Evangeline Preparatory School
W. E. Harrison.....	Professor in Asbury College
L. E. Gower.....	Conference Evangelist
Henry Jongema.....	Left without appointment to attend school
Daniel L. Jones.....	Left without appointment to attend school
S. P. Gaskins.....	Left without appointment to attend school

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\*Supplies are in parentheses ( ).

# Journal of Daily Proceedings

## FIRST DAY

Wednesday, December 3rd, 1924.

The Twenty-second Session of the Gulf Annual Conference convened Wednesday morning at nine o'clock in the Methodist Episcopal Church, Welsh, Louisiana, with Bishop E. L. Waldorf presiding.

Hymn No. 415, "Faith of our Fathers" was sung. The Bishop addressed the Conference, using as text Proverbs 27-19: "As in water face to face so does the heart of man answer to the heart of man."

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was then administered by the Bishop assisted by the District Superintendents and the pastor.

R. L. Weldon introduced the mayor of Welsh, Jno. W. Armstrong, who welcomed the Conference to the hearts and homes of Welsh. Fitting response was made by the Bishop also at this time the Bishop reported the work of the General Conference.

The Secretary of the Previous Conference called the roll and nineteen answered present. One death was reported during the year, that of N. L. Sayers.

The following officers of the Conference were elected: Secretary, H. C. Leonard; Assistant Secretaries, B. B. Corbin, S. H. Yockey; Treasurer, C. W. Rodgers; Assistant Treasurers, T. J. Shrode, D. X. LaGrone; Statistician, W. E. Blackstock; Assistant Statisticians, F. J. Ensign, L. V. Maund and S. J. Manning; Auditor, W. E. Blackstock; Post Master, R. T. Pynes.

It was ordered that special gifts to Evangeline and Port Arthur College be reported in Annual Conference Benevolences.

B. B. Corbin presented a check for \$95.90 from the Conference Invested Fund and the same was ordered paid to the Board of Conference Stewards.

The Conference ordered that that portion of the funds derived from the sale of the Episcopal residence at Wichita which would accrue to the Gulf Conference, be used for the purchase of the new residence in Kansas City.

Conference ordered that funds collected for the carrying on of the area office and amounting to one and one-half cents per member of each church be placed in the hands of R. T. Pynes.

The printed program was adopted as the official program except the hour of morning devotions was set at 8:30 and the last half hour of the morning session was set aside for devotional talks by the Bishop.

L. E. Gower, Secretary of the Cabinet, nominated, and the Conference elected, the following Boards, Committees and Trustees of the Conference. (See Boards and Committees).

The Conference authorized the carrying out of the General Conference legislation regarding the World Service Committee.

The District Superintendents nominated each two laymen and two ministers from each district and the Conference approved and thus constituted the World Service Council, namely: Lake Charles District, R. L. Weldon, B. B. Corbin, E. C. Willard, H. G. Patterson; Houston District, A. M. Wynne, L. V. Maund, A. B. Chenier, B. P. Wynne; San Antonio District, W. E. Blackstock, S. J. Manning, A. E. Sharrar, Mrs. Ella Briggles; also the Secretary, Treasurer and Statisticians of the Conference.

Question 28. Who are the Triers of Appeals? These were elected: R. L. Weldon, C. A. Perkins, R. G. Swanson, H. C. Leonard, C. W. Rodgers, S. H. Yockey; Reserves: W. T. Stokes, S. J. Manning.

C. A. Perkins was appointed to take subscriptions for the Methodist Review.

The Bar of the Conference was placed so as to include the first four pews.

The Secretarial Staff was designated as reporters for the press.

Conference ordered that all desiring change in Conference relations to appear before the Committee on Conference Relations.

The following were appointed as committee to receive suggestions for desirable books: W. F. Mueller and A. E. Petersen.

Conference ordered the Secretary to edit the Journal and the same when printed to be the official record of the Conference.

The Conference ordered that report on the taking of the World Service collections be made en masse and detailed report be made on blanks furnished by A. E. Petersen.

Introductions: Rev. M. A. Zigler and Rev. J. F. Hoke of the Church of the Brethren; Rev. L. E. Crooks of the M. E. So.; Rev. Chas. L. Elliott, Nebraska Conference; D. X. LaGrone and Alton Carrington.

Under Question 15: Was the character of each preacher examined? On motion of C. R. Robinson, E. N. Hardin was permitted to withdraw.

F. W. Mueller, field representative of the Board of Home Missions, addressed the Conference.

C. W. Rodgers was made reporter for the Central Christian Advocate.

C. A. Perkins was appointed to call together the Educational group.

Announcements.

Adjourned with benediction by L. E. Crooks.

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## SECOND DAY

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Thursday, December 4th, 1924.

Devotional services were conducted by the Bishop at 8:30. "Come Thou Almighty King" was sung, prayer was offered by J. M. Bennington of Colorado Conference. The

Bishop took as a text Jno. 21:21-22 and talked on the "Ifs of Life."

The Journal of the previous session was read and approved.

Question 15 was called and on motion of H. K. Faulk, F. R. Cline was permitted to withdraw.

Question 15: Was the character of each preacher examined? It was in open conference, and character of all was passed.

L. E. Gower reported the San Antonio District and the following reported: H. H. E. Pohl, W. E. Blackstock, S. J. Manning,

C. R. Robinson reported the Houston District and the following reported: E. A. Powell, H. C. Leonard, J. S. Denny, R. T. Pynes, W. C. Mann, C. W. Rodgers, L. V. Maund, A. M. Wynne, and these supplies: Alton Carrington, E. McLain and D. M. Rice.

The Conference ordered that the Journal be so corrected as to show that F. M. Miller's name does not appear in the roll because he had returned to the M. E. Church South.

H. K. Faulk reported the Lake Charles District and the following reported: T. J. Shrode, S. H. Yockey, F. J. Ensign, W. T. Stokes, B. B. Corbin, R. G. Swanson, R. L. Welton, C. H. Perkins, J. W. Hervey and A. Palmisano.

The following were introduced: Mrs. Landon, matron of the Girl's Home at Basile; Mary E. Esilck; L. V. Van Valkenburgh was introduced and granted a seat within the bar.

On motion of C. W. Rodgers, the Conference granted permission for each charge on a circuit to be reported separately.

Conference requested the District Superintendents to furnish a list of charges to the Statistician and Treasurer at the opening of each annual Conference.

The Secretary read the following communication from the Southern Conference:

RESOLUTION ON "CONFERENCE MERGER" AS PASSED BY THE SOUTHERN CONFERENCE OF THE

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH ON NOVEMBER 1st, 1924, NEW ORLEANS, LA.:

1. That a Committee of five be appointed on "Inter-conference relationship" consisting of the two District Superintendents (Rev. John Hierholzer, Rev. A. A. Leifeste), Rev. B. E. Breihan, Rev. E. F. Schuessler, and Rev. Phil Deschner, Secretary of the Conference, to consider all questions concerning mergers and interests involved, that this committee gather all possible information on Conference merger during the year and report back to the next session of this Conference.

2. That the Secretary of the Conference be instructed to notify the respective conferences with which a merger may be a possibility and request them to appoint similar committees, if they so desire, to co-operate with our committee in securing all possible data concerning the matter of conference merger.

The motion being duly made and seconded and by unanimous vote the Conference received the communication, resolved to grant the request and authorized the Bishop to appoint a similar committee from this Conference to confer with the committee from the Southern Conference. At the supper hour the Bishop appointed the following committee: H. C. Leonard, C. R. Robinson, C. W. Rodgers, T. J. Shrode, and R. T. Pynes.

The Bishop announced a check from the Chartered Fund for \$35.00, and one from the Book Concern for \$415.00. The same were received and ordered to be placed in the hands of the Board of Conference Stewards.

Question 40: Where shall the next session be held, was made the order of the day immediately after the reading of the Journal Saturday morning.

The following resolution was adopted:

Be it resolved, that we approve of the Union of the Methodist Episcopal and the Methodist Episcopal Church South, and we agree with the legislation of the General Conference that states in paragraph 578, Article 5 of the Discipline, "that our local churches and our Annual and Lay Conferences everywhere are requested and urged not

to complicate the orderly constitutional processes by any precipitate action under the plan, and that they be in no undue haste in effecting local readjustments until the proposed plan shall have been constitutionally adopted by both churches."

Mrs. L. G. Hovey of La Porte was appointed committee to take back to La Porte the resolution and the report of the Conference.

The subject for the devotional half hour was "Joy."

Adjourned with benediction by the Bishop.

At the noon hour, Mrs. Mary Turner Nies and Mrs. Ella Briggie, representing the W. F. M. S., addressed the Conference.

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### THIRD DAY

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Friday, December 5th, 1924.

Bishop Waldorf called the Conference to order at 8:30 and the devotional service began with the singing of the hymn beginning "When I Survey the Wonderous Cross." The Bishop talked from the subject, "The Greater Values."

Journal of previous session was read and approved.

President and Mrs. A. B. Chenier were introduced. President Chenier made a report on Port Arthur College (see Reports) which was received and adopted.

C. W. Rodgers read the following names for trustees for Port Arthur College for three years: R. C. Holmes, R. L. Drake, G. E. Carter, J. W. Williams, C. E. Herman, H. F. Banker, E. C. Willard. All were duly confirmed as such.

President J. W. Hervey reported the Evangeline Preparatory School. Report was received and adopted.

By regular motion duly carried the Evangeline Preparatory School was unanimously endorsed and the Secretary was instructed to write Secretary Bovard concerning support for the school.

Dr. A. J. Loeppert representing World Service and Central Office of the Epworth League, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

Van Carter, Secretary of Louisiana State Sunday School Association, was introduced.

J. W. Hervey presented the following trustees of Evangeline Preparatory School and the same were approved:

One year: C. M. McCain, Ed Aguillard, Dr. C. B. Spencer, Rev. H. K. Faulk, S. O. Scoggins.

Two years: H. G. Patterson, Rev. R. L. Weldon, F. G. Seward, Rev. F. J. Ensign, G. W. King.

Three years: Rev. C. W. Rodgers, Bishop E. L. Waldorf, W. B. Hebert, Walton McCain, Rev. C. A. Perkins.

E. E. Cavaleri of Birmingham, Ala., was introduced and represented the Board of Pensions and Relief.

Question 5: Who have been received on trial? On motion of J. W. Hervey, E. McLain was received on trial and placed in studies of the first year and his orders in the Separate Baptist Church were recognized as deacon.

Question 26: Who are the retired ministers? G. L. Harper, J. W. Lively, F. W. Loy. Letter from F. W. Loy was read; also letter from his pastor in Terra Haute, Ind. Characters of all were passed.

S. H. Yockey was granted the retired relation.

Question 25: Who are the Supernumerary? None.

Question 6: Who are continued on trial? (a) In study of first year: Daniel Jones and Henry Jongema were so continued.

Question 10: What members are in studies of Fourth Year? On motion of J. W. Hervey, S. P. Gaskins on condition; also J. S. Denny was placed on condition that "Sociology" be brought up.

Question 2: Who have been received on transfer? Bishop announced transfer of W. B. Van Valkenburgh from New England Conference.

Devotional subject was the "Life that now is and the life that is to come."

Adjourned with benediction by C. A. Perkins.

At the noon hour Van Carter of State Sunday School Association and Mrs. Florence Landon of the W. H. M. S. home at Basile, addressed the Conference.

## FOURTH DAY

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Saturday morning, December 6th, 1924.

The devotional service at 8:30 was conducted by Rev. Phil Deschner of Southern Conference.

The Bishop called the Conference to order at nine o'clock and the Journal of the previous session was read and approved.

Under Question 40, Where shall the next Conference be held, the following committee was appointed to report: The District Superintendents, R. T. Pynes and F. J. Ensign.

Introductions: Dr. E. B. Caldwell of Board of Foreign Missions. Mrs. H. C. Leonard, Rev. E. S. Brainard, Presbyterian Church, Prof. and Mrs. Sharp and Mrs. Baxter, Basile, and Rev. S. B. Williams, Methodist Protestant Church.

Dr. Philip Deschner addressed the Conference regarding the union of the two Conferences. H. C. Leonard made response.

Report of the Committee on World Service read by A. M. Wynne and adopted. The Bishop doubly emphasized the need of putting over the program. (See Reports).

Question 32: What is Conference Treasurer's Report? (See Report). Report was made by C. W. Rodgers and same was adopted.

Under Question 5: Who have been received on trial? On motion of J. W. Hervey, Alton Carrington and Daniel X. LaGrone were admitted on trial and placed in the studies of the first year.

Under Question 10: What members are in studies of Fourth Year? On motion of the registrar, L. V. Maund was passed in the studies of the third year and placed in the studies of the fourth year.

Under Question 31: What is the Statistical Report? (See Report). W. E. Blackstock read the Statistical Report and the same was adopted.

The Secretary was authorized to publish a list of the abandoned properties of the Conference.

The Conference Board of Trustees was ordered to investigate and find funds belonging to the account of sale of abandoned property. And further that interest for the five years of required possession of such funds be kept in trust with the fund from now on.

On motion of C. R. Robinson and seconded by H. K. Faulk, the Conference adopted the following resolution:

Whereas the William's Chapel property in San Antonio, Texas, County of Bexar, is abandoned and whereas the work for which it was originally intended can be done by the Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church of said city, therefore, be it resolved, that we order the Trustees of the William's Chapel Methodist Episcopal Church to deed the property over to the Trustees of Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church and these latter trustees are hereby authorized to use or sell to the best advantage and apply the proceeds on the debt of the Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church.

By separate action on each item the Conference authorized the sale of the abandoned property at Crowley, Bell City, Grand Lake and Esterwood.

Conference adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock.

Benediction by J. M. Kenna.

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#### SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

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Conference reconvened at 2 o'clock. Hymn "Precious Name" was sung.

Journal of morning session was read and approved.

The Bishop announced the transfer of Chas. L. Elliott from the Nebraska Conference.

President J. W. Hervey read a report of Evangeline Preparatory School. Same was adopted.

The following motion was unanimously carried:

The Gulf Conference heartily endorses the Evangeline Preparatory School and is ready to co-operate to the fullest extent to carry on the school.

J. W. Hervey read report of Conference Board of Stewards. (See Report). Adopted.

Bishop requested the Conference for permission to permit the Treasurer of the Board of Stewards to endorse the draft from the Board of Pensions and Relief with the names of the Bishop and Secretary. Granted.

H. C. Leonard excused from further sessions after this hour.

Bishop called T. J. Shrode to chair.

H. H. E. Pohl read report of Committee on Evangelism. Adopted.

W. E. Blackstock read report of Auditor. Adopted.

Alton Carrington and D. X. LaGrone excused.

W. C. Mann read report of Hospitals and Homes. Adopted.

Journal read and approved.

Adjourned.

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The Conference was called to order at the supper table December 6. R. T. Pynes was selected to act as secretary.

Question No. 40 was asked, "Where shall the next Conference be held?" Lake Charles was put in nomination and that place chosen.

Report of Trustees of Evangeline Preparatory School was read. Each item was voted on separately and the entire report was adopted after thorough discussion. (See report).

By order of the Bishop, Conference adjourned.

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## SUNDAY.

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At the morning hour the Bishop preached a deeply spiritual sermon using as his central theme, "This Do in Remembrance of Me." His text was Luke XXII-19.

In the afternoon memorial services were held honoring the memory of N. L. Sayers.

At the evening hour the report of the Committee on Resolutions was read by C. R. Robinson. Same was adopted. (See Reports).

C. R. Robinson read the report of the Committee on Education. Same was adopted. (See Reports).

On motion the Conference voted to adjourn following the reading of the appointments.

The Bishop read the appointments for the following year. (See Appointments).

Adjourned.

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THIS IS TO CERTIFY That I have read the Journal of the Twenty-second Session of the Gulf Annual Conference, and the same is a true and accurate record of its actions and proceedings.

HARRY C. LEONARD, *Secretary*.

## REPORT OF DISTRICTS

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### HOUSTON DISTRICT.

C. R. ROBINSON, *District Superintendent*

The past year has been one of changing hues, some drab others bright. We were fortunate in beginning the year with a pastor for every charge and with a few exceptions all have remained through the year. J. M. Shank appointed to La Porte, spent one night there and left, A. M. Wynne being changed from Woodville to La Porte, Brother Shank going to Woodville. Later he left that place and E. McLain filled out the year.

C. H. LaGrone left Sabine Circuit near the close of the year. A. W. Alexander, a local preacher, finished the year.

E. N. Hardin left Bethel appointment on the Bethel and Deadwood charge and Alton Carrington, a local preacher, took the appointment. Hardin afterward abandoned Deadwood appointment which was unsupplied until Conference.

The Epworth League Institute held at La Porte under the leadership of C. W. Rodgers showed an advance of work. For the first time the attendance from the Southern Conference exceeded that of the Gulf. A larger attendance would mean increased efficiency in Epworth League work. Larger things are planned for next year.

With gratitude we record that death has not visited a pastor's home, and only one pastor has been kept from his work by illness.

Brother J. M. Kenna, after spending nearly his three score years in Dixie, went to New York on an extended visit and like his forebears of sixty years ago found the Yankees too much for him, and he was confined to his bed for several weeks after his return. It is difficult to tell what would have happened if his wife had not been with him.

The health of the Superintendent has been excellent and only one charge has missed having four quarterly confer-

ences, though some of them have been held after several dates had been set.

There has been advance made in improving and repairing church property. A large addition is being made to the Pearland church made necessary by the growth of the Sunday School.

Lufkin has a six room parsonage in process of construction. Deadwood has bought a schoolhouse which will double the capacity of the church, give ample room for the Sunday School and furnish a Community Hall that will furnish a center for activities of a healthy kind for miles around. LaGrone has promised to furnish a high grade radio to bring the outside world to this place twenty miles from the railroad. Bethel on this charge has painted the parsonage, that has been mentioned by the Superintendent as about to be painted for the last three years. This point has beautified the church with a new carpet and seats.

La Porte has installed a bath room and renovated the parsonage inside with paint and varnish.

Texas City has spent considerable in repairing the damage to the property done by the 1915 storm. The parsonage is as good as new inside.

Woodville has fitted the parsonage with furniture. An example to all our parsonage trustees, and a new roof protects our church at Colmesniel on this charge.

Last Sunday the new church at Rosedaleon, the Woodville charge, was dedicated with Brother C. W. Rodgers of Port Arthur preaching the sermon and handling the finances. Money to cover all bills was raised so that the church was dedicated by the Superintendent free of debt. The pastor, E. McLain, did fine work on this charge.

Hughes Springs charge has paid for a new piano at Hughes Springs and put new roofs on the churches at Atlanta and Jefferson, also freshening them with paint. A fine new garage shelters the preacher's car at Hughes Springs.

I desire to acknowledge help given by the Board of Church Extension to the Deadwood, Lufkin, Pearland, and Rosedale building enterprises.

Port Arthur, Collins Memorial Houston, and Midway on the Polk Circuit reduced their church debts. All of these advances are real victories when it is remembered that east Texas is suffering from the worst drought in over sixty years.

Port Arthur College, in spite of the fact that it has had five presidents in the last five years, was never so prosperous as now. President Power left in September to return to public school work and Mr. A. B. Chenier, for the past ten years connected with Tyler Commercial College, was secured. In both income and students the school has eclipsed all previous records. The new president boldly states that the school will have 2000 students in five years and the Board of Trustees will make room for them. Watch that school grow.

Woman's Missionary work has made marked advance under the inspiration given by Miss Jennie Walker in a series of meetings held by her in the district under the efficient leadership of Sister Briggie of San Antonio.

Considerable interest has developed in Sunday School work along the lines of graded lessons and teacher training classes. Over half the schools are graded or partially graded and Marshall, Collins Memorial Houston, and Port Arthur have fully organized teacher training classes, Port Arthur having two large classes. When more of our pastors become alive to the possibilities of teacher training more of them will avail themselves of the valuable aid offered by our Sunday School Board in organizing for more effective work. The old stereotyped method of conducting Sunday School is little less than a crime in these days of efficient methods that can be had for the asking.

Revival fires have burned on many church altars. The most notable ones being the Union Meeting at Marshall and the meeting held at Elliott Chapel on the Lufkin charge by the pastor J. S. Denny. The Conference Evangelist C. A. Perkins waged successful warfare against sin in a number of charges.

No one thing would help Houston district as much as the thorough adoption of the budget and every member can-

vass plan. I have yet to find the first church where an improvement has not followed the adoption in even a limited form of the new plan as adopted and recorded in our new discipline. I sometimes wonder if a school of methods meeting during our Annual Conference would not at least start inquiries that would help many pastors to better methods of carrying on the work of the kingdom.

C. R. ROBINSON.

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### LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT.

HAUGHTON K. FAULK, *District Superintendent.*

In presenting this report of the labors in the Lake Charles District, I wish to express my sincere appreciation to all who have so earnestly co-operated in the work this year.

There have been some changes in pastors. C. E. Woodson, who was assigned the church at Basile, left during June. Luther Lyon, a young local preacher, was secured and filled out the year with favor to the people. F. R. Cline, pastor at DeQuincey, left during July. T. J. Shrode, a beloved brother and member of this conference, has carried that promising work on with deserving credit to the end of the year. S. H. Yockey, owing to conditions, requested to be relieved of the church at Ebenezer for the last three months of the year. This request was granted. Bro. Yockey desires the retired relation at this session of the Conference. Henry Faulk, a local preacher, has completed the conference year at Ebenezer. S. P. Gaskins, a month before Conference, asked to be relieved of Weaver and Quitman in order to attend college. This was granted. He has entered Oklahoma College and is now stationed at Wellston, Oklahoma.

This has been a trying year on account of the prolonged drought, but the ministers and people have been loyal to the work of the church, some to the point of true sacrifice.

This year there has been the largest general gain yet in membership in the district. There has been a substantial

gain in nearly every church. The net gain in membership has been ten per cent.

The Epworth League Institute at Lake Arthur was of the same high standard and greatly beneficial to the young people who availed themselves of its opportunities. A request is made that the Institute be more suitably located for another year.

C. A. Perkins has been abundant in labors in the district and ably assisted by the pastors, the fires of evangelistic zeal have been kept burning throughout the year.

The Evangeline Preparatory School has opened its doors again with promise of another successful year. This school is deserving of better financial support. Especially is the school in need of investigation and support by the Board of Education of our Church. The Board of Home Missions and Church Extension and the Woman's Missionary Society are to be especially commended for their loyal support in this needy missionary field.

Time would fail to tell all the details of work in the district, how people and pastors have toiled through the year and made progress in face of the difficulties.

HAUGHTON K. FAULK.

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### SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT.

L. E. GOWER, *District Superintendent*.

Bishop E. L. Waldorf and Brethren of the Conference:

In the language of that saint of God, whose life touched both of the preceding centuries with blessings, the Rev. John Newton, I wish to say both as a Minister and District Superintendent, "Safely through another" year, "God has brought us on our way."

Through no other of the nine years that it has been my high privilege to serve you as a District Superintendent has God been more constantly and consciously present or that presence meant more to me than through the year now closing.

At times we have advanced as the Lord led on, whether as by a pillar of cloud by day or of fire by night; and at other times we have just had to "wait and see the salvation of the Lord", but in and through it all we have advanced.

We have abandoned one and entered four fields of operation during the year. Some of these new fields give good promise of strength to the church and all are much in need of the church. In entering these new fields we have observed the principle by which we have been governed during all these years of district service, that is, we have not entered where our Sister Methodism was doing the work that was there to be done.

The district will show a good per cent of increase in membership.

In a large way the benevolences have been carefully looked after and will show but little if any falling off from last year's returns.

There has been a very substantial advance in Ministerial support, yet there is much room and need for a greater advance.

As a result of two splendid revivals, one at Lyford and the other at San Juan, these churches were greatly helped and our cause strengthened locally, also because of these there has been a decided advance on these charges in the amount paid on Ministerial support and the benevolences.

Trinity Church, in San Antonio, has carried its heavy load splendidly and has just re-financed in such a way as to greatly relieve the situation and afford it a real chance to advance rapidly along all lines. I am sure that its membership was never more optimistic.

Respectfully,

L. E. GOWER, *Dist. Supt.*

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## REPORTS

### WORLD SERVICE.

The Centenary period has passed. A World Service Council has been formed to carry on the world program of our church. Adjustments are necessary.

There has been a marked decrease in giving to the benevolences. Last year we gave near twelve millions of dollars but this year we fell to eight and a half millions. The entire work of the church is feeling keenly this decrease. The general World Service Council recommends regular efforts by an organized church to bring in weekly or monthly offerings instead of spasmodic efforts. To do this there must be a thorough organization of the local church. We approve of the following plan:

1. The pastor nominates the local World Service Council. The Quarterly Conference approves.
2. There should be three officers: a key man for chairman, a good secretary, and a competent accountant for treasurer.
3. The membership and the constituents should be formed into groups of from fifteen to thirty and a chairman and secretary for each group should be nominated by the pastor or approved by him.
4. The pastor, chairman, secretary and treasurer and the chairmen and secretaries of the groups constitute the local World Service Council.
5. The Council through the groups should bring every member and constituent into the organization.
6. The Council shall thoroughly inform the church on benevolent matters and arrange an every member canvass at the earliest date. Suitable books for all local Council needs can be secured from 740 Rush St., Chicago, Ill. The Hollingshead plan is recommended.

Each and every member in the church no matter how many in one family should be asked for a pledge of a definite amount to be paid by the weekly or monthly plan. The

father should not be expected to do the whole paying for the whole family than he is expected to do the whole praying for the whole family.

The Pastor should send the names of the chairman, secretary and treasurer to 1121 McGee St., Kansas City Mo.

Bulletins with missionary literature on one side and the other blank for local news can be secured from the Chicago office at fifty cents per hundred.

We further advise the local Council, through the group chairman and secretary, to make sure that the regular collections of each group are turned over to the treasurer and forwarded to O. W. Auman, 740 Rush St., Chicago.

The World Service treasurer should be treasurer of no other funds. The pastor should not be the treasurer.

We recommend that Easter be used to stimulate a missionary spirit and to increase the offerings for World Service.

R. L. WELDON,  
A. M. WYNNE,  
A. B. CHENIER,  
MRS. ELLA BRIGGLE,  
H. C. LEONARD.

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#### AUDITOR'S REPORT.

The auditing committee met and checked the records of the Conference Treasurer, the treasurer of the W. H. M. S. and the treasurer of the Conference Home Missions.

W. E. BLACKSTOCK,  
S. J. MANNING,  
L. V. MAUND,  
F. J. ENSIGN.

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#### REPORT OF CONFERENCE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Your committee hereby heartily endorses the action of the General Conference in merging the Board of Education for Negroes, Board of Sunday Schools, Board of Epworth

League, and Board of Education under one administration. This happy recognition of economy of effort and elimination of overlapping in administration cannot fail to meet the approval of Methodism.

The Conference rejoices in the achievements of the Port Arthur Business College, Port Arthur, Texas, and of the Evangeline Preparatory School, Basile, La. These schools make a strong appeal to the Conference because of the emphasis placed on moral and religious training.

We urge the necessity of the Teacher Training Classes in every Sunday School, and of the use of the Graded Lessons.

Epworth League Institutes have already proved to be of very great value in the life of our young people. We advise their continuance. No pastor is fully meeting his obligation unless he does his best to organize and promote the Epworth League ideals. Each chapter is requested to plan to send delegates to an Institute and make their attendance possible.

RUSSEL T. PYNES.

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### HOSPITALS AND HOMES.

We recommend that our churches give their support to our Hospitals and Homes. If we get the help that we need we must help needy humanity. Whoso hath this world's goods and beholdeth his brother in need and shutteth up his compassion from him, how doth the love of God abide in him?

S. H. YOCKEY,  
W. B. HEBERT,  
W. C. MANN.

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### EVANGELISM.

The Department of Evangelism is the most important in the church. We need the revival fires burning in our hearts and churches continuously. Realizing that reforma-

tion is needed when formation has failed we urge the conservation and proper development of the spiritual life of the child. God expects us to accept a responsibility as well as an experience.

We recommend exchange of service in evangelistic work by neighboring pastors, also the use of tents in summer campaigns.

The parish of Methodism is still the world.

J. M. KENNA,  
H. H. E. POHL,  
R. L. WELDON,  
C. A. PERKINS,  
R. T. PYNES.

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## EVANGELINE PREPARATORY SCHOOL.

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### PROPOSAL TO MEET BUDGET DEFICIT.

1. Fifty dollar annual scholarships will be planned and full scholarships or half scholarships will be acceptable from individuals, churches or other societies.

2. We hereby recommend that the Gulf Conference set aside the Sunday before or the Sunday after Washington's birthday as a day when all the facts concerning the school may be brought to the attention of each church in the Gulf Conference and offering received from the church for the school. We request that the offering take the form of scholarships and that each congregation be urged to provide at least one and as many more such scholarships as possible. Where a whole scholarship cannot be secured a half scholarship will be gratefully received.

3. We recommend that an allowance of not more than \$500.00 be made for special teacher as part time substitute for President Hervey and for such publicity expense as may be necessary in order that the above plan may be carried out successfully and in order that President Hervey may spend additional time in the field.

4. The school authorities shall supply each pastor definite information and definite talking points to be used in presenting the claims of the school.

5. We recommend that a statement concerning the school be prepared by a committee composed of Rev. C. W. Rodgers, Rev. J. W. Hervey, the District Superintendent of the Lake Charles District, Rev. R. L. Weldon and H. G. Patterson, and that this statement be sent to the Central and to the pastors and through such other publicity channels as may be expedient.

6. We further recommend that the committee authorized to draw up the statement concerning the school be requested to continue negotiations with the Board of Education looking toward securing an appropriation for the support of the school.

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Port Arthur, Texas,

December 23, 1924.

To the Gulf Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church,  
Welsh, Louisiana.

Greetings:

We are herewith submitting to you a synopsis of the doing of Port Arthur College from January 1 to November 1, 1924. As our fiscal year does not end until April 30, 1925, it will not be possible to give a detailed financial report.

It will be of interest to the Conference to have some definite information; first, as to the progress being made by Port Arthur College and, second, the outlook as to future growth of the school. During the time mentioned about 461 students have enrolled in day and night school for the various courses of Bookkeeping, Shorthand, Typewriting, Banking, Telegraphy, etc. Of this number 100 full-time new students and 96 night students enrolled since September 8. 92 ex-students reentered since September 8 to complete their work. 285 persons enrolled, including our night

school enrollment, since September 8 or more than half the entire enrollment for the year.

This rapid increase in enrollment makes us feel that the future growth of Port Arthur College is to be greater than in any previous year in the history of the school. We have at this time 10,000 names on our mailing list. These names have been acquired during the last 90 days. We should develop at least 8 per cent of them within the next twelve months. This alone will give us a better enrollment than in any previous year.

On account of the large number of girls entering since September 8, and deeming it to the best interest of the school, all boys have been placed in rooms in private homes near the school, the Dormitory being given over entirely to girls. This not only enables us to accommodate more girls, but is a more satisfactory arrangement and meets with the approval of the Board of Trustees and the parents of the girls. We are advertising this special feature and it is meeting with favorable response.

Seventy-one cities and towns from eleven different states are represented in the present enrollment. Indications are that our territory will extend to other states and cities within a short time.

During the months of September and November exhibits were held at the Port Arthur Fair and the South Texas State Fair. These were successful in every respect. A large number of the names now on our present mailing list was secured as a result of these exhibits.

A special musical program was rendered under the auspices of Port Arthur College from Radio Station KFDM, of the Magnolia Petroleum Company, Beaumont, Texas, Tuesday, September 18. Applause for this program has been received from various parts of the United States; Oakland, California, Sea Island, Maine, and Miami, Florida, as well as from hundreds of nearby places.

With careful management Port Arthur College should and will be self-sustaining financially and will hold an honored place in the South as one of the most progressive and influential business colleges.

Perfect harmony exists among the faculty and office force. Everybody is working to make Port Arthur College the very best in the country. The management wishes to thank the Board of Education, Trustees, and all others with whom our relationship has been so pleasant.

Herewith attached to this report is a financial statement from January 1 to November 1, 1924.

The students and faculty were honored with a visit by Bishop Waldorf, Tuesday, December 2, at which time the Bishop gave a very appropriate address, outlining the policies of the church in an educational way and at the same time pointing out ways and means by which Port Arthur College could do its part in assisting the church in carrying on its work for the advancement of Methodism and the serving of all denominations and creeds. The Bishop's address was timely and met with the unanimous approval of the Board of Trustees, faculty, and students.

At the regular session of the general Board of Trustees of Port Arthur College held on May 29, 1924, the following trustees were nominated for your confirmation and we ask that they be confirmed at this meeting: Mr. R. C. Holmes, Mr. R. L. Drake, Mr. G. E. Carter, Mr. J. W. Williams, Mr. C. E. Herman, Mr. H. F. Banker, and Mr. C. E. Willard.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. WILLIAMS, *Chairman of Board*,

A. B. CHENIER, *President*,

C. W. RODGERS.

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PORT ARTHUR COLLEGE STATEMENT  
SHOWING CASH PERFORMANCE

May 1 to September 30, 1924.

Expenses 5/1 to 8/31.....	\$11,434.08	
Receipts for same period.....	\$4430.27	
Balance in Bank May 1.....	20.68	4,450.95
Paid out of Sept. earnings.....	\$ 6,983.13	
September Expense.....	401.98	
Returned Checks.....	743.53	
Balance October 1.....	2,915.16	
September Deposits as shown by books.....	\$11,043.80	
Less Redeposits.....	625.53	
<i>Actual Net Cash Receipts for September as per</i>		
<i>Bank Book</i> .....	\$10,418.27	
Deposits for September, one year ago.....	\$ 5,316.08	

PORT ARTHUR COLLEGE CASH PERFORMANCE

October 1 to October 31, 1924.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in Bank October 1.....	\$ 2,915.16	
Deposits for October .....	3,356.95	
		\$ 6,272.11

PAYMENTS.

Bills incurred during September and October including Faculty salaries for September .....	\$3,956.64	
Bills previously incurred.....	331.78	4,288.42
Balance in Bank October 31 according to College Books and Reconciled with Bank.....	\$ 1,983.69	

## BOOK COMMITTEE.

The Eternal Masculine.....	<i>Locke</i>
Epic of Youth.....	<i>Stidger</i>
Christ and the Problems of Youth.....	<i>Verstig</i>
The Revolt of Youth.....	<i>High</i>
The Economic Waste of Sin.....	<i>Bower</i>
George Whitfield—Prophet Preacher.....	<i>Hinde</i>
Making a Personal Faith.....	<i>McDowal</i>
How to Improve Your Sunday School.....	<i>Smith</i>
Pen Portraits of the Twelve.....	<i>Glanson</i>
Child Labor and the Social Conscience.....	<i>Clark</i>
The Modern Use of the Bible.....	<i>Fosdick</i>
Life of Christ.....	<i>Papini</i>
Tongues of Fire.....	<i>Arthur</i>
Five Great Philosophies of Life.....	<i>Jefferson</i>
Is Christianity True?.....	<i>Many authors</i>
New Tropical Biblical Text-Book—How to Teach Religion .....	<i>Babson</i>
Quiet Talk Series .....	<i>Gordon</i>
War: Its Causes, Consequences and Cure.....	<i>Kirby and Page</i>
Life of Jowett.....	<i>Arthur Porritt</i>
The Conditions of Conversion.....	<i>Watkins</i>
The Character of Paul.....	<i>Jefferson</i>
Church Music and Worship.....	<i>Harper</i>
Young People's Works for young people.....	<i>Blaine Kirkpatrick</i>
Is God Limited?.....	<i>McConnell</i>

## WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society has for its special field the work in the home land.

There should be a Woman's Home Missionary Society in every church. During this last year there has been a decided increase in the number of societies and collections.

The Evangeline Home for Girls at Basile, La., within the bounds of the Gulf Conference is one of the many good works supported by the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

These are the aims for this year: One-twelfth of our

pledge sent to Conference Treasurer monthly; mite box for every member; and a thank offering from each Society.

The following were chosen officers for the year: Treasurer, Mrs. H. C. Leonard, 1009 Harvard St., Houston, Texas; Mite Box Secretary, Mrs. C. C. Carlisle, Welsh La.; Young People's Secretary, Mrs. A. B. Chenier, Port Arthur, Texas; Children's Secretary, Mrs. H. K. Faulk, Lake Charles, La.; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. E. C. Willard, Welsh, La.

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### WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The passing of this year shows fair progress in the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and we begin the new year with high aims and large goals and we ask the support of the ministers of the Conference to help us reach the mark.

May every charge give the W. F. M. S. a thank offering Sunday whether they have a society or not; we want to be represented in every charge and where a society is not possible we earnestly entreat that extension members be secured as we have a missionary in India entirely dependent upon their support. Do not fail her.

We would extend the kingdom by extending every department in the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. May every auxiliary mother some children's society as "Kings Herald", "Little Light Bearers", or "Standard Bearers", and we are very anxious that the young people find their place in this great work. There are hundreds of millions calling. Will you help? As the society completes the uplifted cross, we find we are "saved for service" and the privilege of such service will bring joy and gladness to us all.

To those who labored with us so abundantly and unceasingly last year we give our heartfelt thanks.

Mrs. Ella A. Briggles, 1022 Blanco Road, San Antonio,

Texas, was again elected Secretary and Treasurer of Gulf Conference for the W. F. M. S., so we labor together for another year.

May the Father lead us in more earnest prayer, more devoted labor and greater sacrifice.

MRS. H. C. LEONARD, *President Houston Dist.*,  
Houston, Texas.

MRS. C. W. RODGERS, *Pres. Lake Charles Dist.*,  
Welsh, Louisiana.

MRS. L. E. GOWER, *Pres. Rio Grande Valley Dist.*,  
Lyford, Texas.

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### RESOLUTIONS.

The Gulf Annual Conference has been splendidly entertained by the members and friends of our church at Welsh. We express special appreciation to Brother Weldon and the ladies of the church. We have found a hearty welcome to your homes and a warm place in your hearts.

We have been favored by the presence of A. E. Petersen, that genial leader of the youth of our Area, by the representatives of the Boards, A. J. Loeppert, F. W. Mueller and E. B. Caldwell, and E. E. Cavaleri. We note with special favor the presence of Phil Deschner of the Southern Conference.

For the fifth consecutive time Bishop E. L. Waldorf has presided over this Conference. During these years so filled with his personal interest in every man and every charge he has endeared himself to all. His administration has been sympathetic and just. We recognize in him a leadership worthy to be followed.

C. R. ROBINSON,  
S. H. YOCKEY,  
C. A. PERKINS.

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## Statement of the Gulf Conference Investment Fund

REV. B. B. CORBIN, *Treasurer*

Lake Charles, La., December 2, 1924.

Principal of Fund, December, 1923.....\$1,777.00

*Receipts during the year:*

From Rev. B. B. Corbin..... 28.23

From Coushatta, La..... 255.00

Total.....\$2,060.23

Paid to First M. E. Church, DeQuincey, La..... 440.00

(This makes a total of \$1,000.00 paid, which is full amount due them).

Balance Investment Fund on hand....\$1,620.23

The funds are held as follows:

Invested in First Mortgage Securities at 7%..... 1,100.00

Invested in Liberty Loan Bonds..... 201.19

Deposited in Savings Account, Calcasieu National

Bank of Sw. La., at Lake Charles..... 319.04

Total.....\$1,620.23

### Statement of Interest Received.

2/19/24 Int. Jennings Utit. Co. note.....\$35.00

3/14/24 Int. on Liberty Bond..... 1.06

4/ 3/24 Int. T. S. Bennett note..... 3.50

4/15/24 Int. on Liberty Bond..... 1.06

5/15/24 Int. on Liberty Bond..... 1.07

6/14/24 Int. on Liberty Bond..... 1.07

6/30/24 Int. on Savings Account..... 4.67

8/20/24 Int. on Jennings Utit. Co. note..... 35.00

9/15/24 Int. on Liberty Bond..... 1.07

10/13/24 Int. on T. S. Bennett note..... 3.50

10/15/24 Int. on Liberty Bond..... 1.07

11/13/24 Int. on Liberty Bond..... 1.06

12/ 1/24 Int. on Savings Account..... 6.77

Our exchange to cover interest.....\$95.90

## REPORT OF BOARD OF STEWARDS

### RECEIPTS

From Permanent Funds.....	\$ 95.00
From Methodist Book Concern.....	415.00
From Chartered Fund.....	35.00
From Board of Pensions and Relief.....	800.00
From Conference Collections.....	1485.00
Balance from last year.....	50.00
Total.....	<u>\$2880.00</u>

### DISBURSEMENTS

G. L. Harper (5).....	\$ 230.00
J. W. Lively (13).....	265.00
F. W. Loy (42).....	420.00
S. H. Yockey (18).....	300.00
T. J. Shrode (26).....	300.00
Mrs. P. C. Chaney.....	250.00
Mrs. E. A. Ferguson.....	150.00
Mrs. N. H. Oliver.....	300.00
Mrs. N. L. Sayers.....	60.00
Mrs. F. D. Van Valkenburgh.....	200.00
Mrs. J. Woodson.....	300.00
Total.....	<u>\$2775.00</u>
Balance on hand.....	\$ 105.00

Numbers in brackets represent years of service. The Board recommends that \$3050.00 be apportioned to the charges this year for this fund.

J. W. HERVEY, *Chairman*,  
L. E. GOWER, *Secretary*.

### STATEMENT OF SECRETARY.

The publishing of the Journal is not the only expense of this office. Once in four years the Journal is bound into a volume, the Conference trunk is hauled from Conference to Conference, postage is paid on Journals and annual report blanks, telegrams are sent, affidavits are made and all extra printing, as in the case of the Gulf Conference Amendment—all these are paid from the income of the Secretary. For the first time in a number of years there is not a deficit to be carried into the new year, and every year some one fails to pay his part. This year the Journal is placed at such a price that it is possible by proper presentation to sell the entire number and pay out.

### PLAN OF CONFERENCE EXAMINATIONS

Board of Examiners: H. C. Leonard, Chairman; J. W. Hervey, Registrar; C. W. Rodgers, F. J. Ensign, R. L. Weldon, B. B. Corbin, W. E. Blackstock.

#### ADMISSIONS ON TRIAL.

1. Doctrines and Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church for 1920, with special reference to the Articles of Religion. (For a good commentary on these, see Wheeler, Twenty-five Articles of Religion of the Methodist-Episcopal Church).....J. W. Hervey
2. American History—James & Sanford.....W. E. Blackstock
3. Life of Wesley—Winchester.....R. L. Weldon
4. (a) Plain Account of Christian Perfection—Wesley  
.....C. W. Rodgers  
(b) Selections from the Writings of John Wesley—Welch.....C. W. Rodgers
5. A Bible Biography. The candidate shall be prepared to write a paper of not less than one thousand words upon one of the following subjects, using only the materials found in the Bible: The Life of Moses, The Life of David, The Life of Jesus, as recorded by Mark, The Life of Paul, as given in Acts. The subject to be written upon will be assigned at the time of the examination.....F. J. Ensign

6. A written sermon.....B. B. Corbin
7. Directions and Helps for the Examination for Admission on Trial.....B. B. Corbin

All papers submitted by the candidate shall be examined with reference to the use of English, and the character of this work shall be taken into account in determining the grade in each subject. This rule shall apply throughout the course.

#### COURSE OF STUDY FOR FIRST YEAR.

1. New Testament History—Rall.....J. W. Hervey
2. Evangelism—Hannan.....R. L. Weldon
3. The Making of the Sermon—Pattison.....B. B. Corbin
4. The Art of Writing English—Brown and Barnes  
.....C. W. Rodgers
5. Human Behavior—Colvin and Bagley.....R. L. Weldon
6. Directions and Helps for the First Year.....B. B. Corbin

#### *Collateral Reading and Study:*

1. The Pastor-Preacher—Quayle.....B. B. Corbin
2. Citizenship and Moral Reform—Langdale.....B. B. Corbin
3. The Main Points—Brown.....W. E. Blackstock
4. Francis Ashbury—Tipple.....H. C. Leonard
5. Wesley's Sermons—Vol. 1.....C. W. Rodgers

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#### COURSE OF STUDY FOR SECOND YEAR.

1. (a) Dictionary of the Bible (1 Vol. Edition)—  
Hastings.....J. W. Hervey  
(b) The Bible in the Making—Smyth.....J. W. Hervey
2. History of the Christian Church—Walker (Omitting  
pages 1-41).....R. L. Weldon
3. (a) The Pupil and the Teacher—Weigle.....B. B. Corbin  
(b) The Graded Sunday School in Principle and  
Practice—Meyer.....B. B. Corbin
4. The Christian Pastor—Gladden.....C. W. Rodgers
5. Directions and Helps for the Second Year.....B. B. Corbin

#### *Collateral Reading and Study:*

1. The Christian View of the Old Testament—Eiselen  
.....H. C. Leonard

2. How to Teach Religion—Betts.....W. E. Blackstock
  3. (a) The Church in the City—Leete, or  
(b) The Country Church Serving the Community—  
Earp.....R. L. Weldon
  4. History of Methodism (Vol. 1)—Stevens....J. W. Hervey
  5. Life of Luther—McGiffert.....J. W. Hervey
  6. Wesley's Sermons—Vol. II.....C. W. Rodgers
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## COURSE OF STUDY FOR THIRD YEAR.

1. Beacon Lights of Prophecy—Knudson.....B. B. Corbin
2. Foundation of Christian Belief—Strickland  
.....J. W. Hervey
3. Introduction to the Study of Sociology—Hayes  
.....F. J. Ensign
4. The Religions of Mankind—Soper.....R. L. Weldon
5. Neely's Parliamentary Practice.....C. W. Rodgers
6. Directions and Helps for the Third Year....B. B. Corbin

*Collateral Reading and Study:*

1. Studies in Christianity—Bowne.....W. E. Blackstock
  2. The Church and Industrial Reconstruction—  
.....C. W. Rodgers
  3. History of Methodism (Vol. II)—Stevens..J. W. Hervey
  4. Life of Phillips Brooks (briefer edition)—Allen  
.....J. W. Hervey
  5. Modern Premillennialism and the Christian Hope—Rall  
.....B. B. Corbin
  6. The Methodist Review.....F. J. Ensign
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## COURSE OF STUDY FOR THE FOURTH YEAR.

1. Paul and His Epistles—Hayes.....J. W. Hervey
2. System of Christian Doctrine—Sheldon (omitting Part  
1 and Appendix).....B. B. Corbin
3. The Five Great Philosophies of Life—Hyde  
.....W. E. Blackstock
4. The Book of Isaiah (Vol. I-II)—Smith.....F. J. Ensign
5. Directions and Helps for the Fourth Year..B. B. Corbin

*Collateral Reading and Study:*

1. Missionary Morale—Miller.....B. B. Corbin
2. Outline of Christian Theology—Clarke....C. W. Rodgers
3. Good Ministers of Jesus Christ—McDowell  
.....H. C. Leonard
4. History of Methodism (Vol. III)—Stevens  
.....J. W. Hervey
5. The Methodist Review.....F. J. Ensign

## REGULATIONS.

1. No less than ten questions for examination in each study shall be prepared by each examiner, and as many copies of these questions as the Chairman shall need shall be sent to him two weeks before the date of examination.

2. All examinations shall be in writing and in the presence of witnesses if practicable.

3. Examination papers shall be graded on the basis of subject matter, use of English and assignment of written work.

4. The examination shall be graded on the scale of 100 and 70 per cent is the minimum passing grade.

5. Each examiner shall report all grades promptly to the Registrar.

6. Each examiner shall give instruction by correspondence, and see that the assignments of written work, both of the regular text books and of the collateral books be done satisfactorily.

7. No equivalent for any subject in the course of study will be accepted, except on certificate signed by the President or Registrar of the College where subject was taken, and stating time when subject was pursued.

8. The wise student will get in touch at once with his examiner.

## CONFERENCE SESSIONS

### GULF MISSION

Year	Time	Place	Bishop	Secretary
1893	Jan. 19	Jennings, La.....	E. C. Andrews..	C. K. Woodson
1894	Jan. 25	Lake Charles, La.....	J. M. Walden...	C. K. Woodson
1895	Jan. 24	Crowley, La.....	Thos. Bowman..	C. K. Woodson
1896	Jan. 23	Jennings, La.....	J. N. Fitzgerald.	C. K. Woodson

### GULF MISSION CONFERENCE

Year	Time	Place	Bishop	Secretary
1897	Jan. 21	Jennings, La.....	J. M. Walden....	C. K. Woodson
1898	Feb. 3	Crowley, La.....	W. X. Ninde....	C. K. Woodson
1899	Feb. 2	Lake Charles, La.....	S. M. Merrill....	C. K. Woodson
1900	Feb. 1	Marshall, Tex.....	I. W. Joce.....	L. W. Elkins
1901	Jan. 17	Jennings, La.....	H. W. Warren...	C. W. Campbell
1902	Jan. 30	Lake Charles, La.....	C. D. Foss.....	C. W. Campbell
1903	Feb. 3	Port Arthur, Tex.....	W. F. Mallalieu.	C. C. Morris

### GULF ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Year	Time	Place	Bishop	Secretary
1904	Feb. 4	Hughes Springs, Tex.....	W. F. Mallalieu.	J. Paul
1905	Feb. 2	Gloster, Miss.....	H. Spellmeyer...	F. F. Fitch
1905	Dec. 1	Welsh, La.....	L. B. Wilson....	W. E. Harrison
1906	Nov. 15	Marshall, Tex.....	L. B. Wilson....	J. R. Basket
1907	Dec. 16	Jennings, La.....	William Burt...	J. R. Basket
1908	Dec. 16	Lake Charles, La.....	W. A. Quayle...	J. R. Basket
1909	Dec. 16	Port Arthur, Tex.....	T. B. Neely.....	J. R. Basket
1910	Dec. 15	Welsh, La.....	T. B. Neely.....	H. H. McCain
1911	Dec. 15	Marshall, Tex.....	T. B. Neely.....	H. H. McCain
1912	Dec. 19	Port Arthur, Tex.....	W. P. Thirkield.	H. H. McCain
1913	Dec. 4	Woodville, Tex.....	W. P. Thirkield.	H. H. McCain
1914	Dec. 2	Jennings, La.....	W. P. Thirkield.	J. R. Basket
1915	Dec. 7	Port Arthur, Tex.....	W. P. Thirkield.	J. R. Basket
1916	Dec. 7	DeKidder, La.....	W. O. Shepard..	J. W. Hervey
1917	Nov. 29	Hughes Springs, Tex.....	W. P. Thirkield.	J. W. Hervey
1918	Nov. 27	Houston, Tex.....	Chas. B. Mitchell	H. C. Leonard
1919	Nov. 26	Lake Charles, La.....	W. P. Thirkield.	H. C. Leonard
1920	Dec. 8	Houston, Tex.....	E. L. Waldorf...	H. C. Leonard
1921	Dec. 7	Port Arthur, Tex.....	E. L. Waldorf...	H. C. Leonard
1922	Dec. 13	San Antonio, Tex.....	E. L. Waldorf...	H. C. Leonard
1923	Dec. 12	Port Arthur, Tex.....	E. L. Waldorf...	H. C. Leonard
1924	Dec. 3	Welsh, La.....	E. L. Waldorf...	H. C. Leonard

**REV. NEWTON L. SAYERS**

**Born, Jan., 1846, in Pennsylvania**

**Died, May, 1924, in California**

The Memorial Service was in charge of Rev. J. W. Hervey, who knew Brother Sayers intimately, having been his District Superintendent and who was thrown with him frequently during the last two or three years of his life.

Brief addresses were made by J. W. Hervey, T. J. Shrode and W. B. Van Valkenburgh. Rev. C. A. Perkins offered the opening prayer and Bishop Waldorf closed the service with prayer and the benediction.

**ROLL OF OUR HONORED DEAD**

"They rest from their labors and  
their works do follow them."

**MEMBERS OF THE CONFERENCE**

**WALTER ZIMMERMAN**  
**IRA N. PARDEE**  
**P. C. CHANEY**  
**WILLIAM F. BOLTON**  
**JOHN T. JAMES**  
**H. G. BREED**  
**EDGAR A. FERGUSON**  
**THOMAS WILSON**  
**CYRUS A. KING**  
**N. H. OLIVER**  
**F. D. VAN VALKENBURGH**  
**W. R. NEWTON**  
**JULIAN WOODSON**  
**N. L. SAYERS**

**STATISTICAL TABLES AND TREASURER'S  
REPORT---GULF CONFERENCE---1924**

W. E. BLACKSTOCK, Statistician

C. W. RODGERS, Treasurer

**EPWORTH LEAGUE STATISTICS, GULF CONFERENCE, 1924**  
**LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT**

NAMES OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES	Senior League		Int. League		Junior League		Epworth Heralds Taken	Paid to Central Office	Paid to World Service <sup>a</sup>
	Chapters	Members	Chapters	Members	Chapters	Members			
Auburn and Oak Grove.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bayou Chene.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Basile.....	1	36	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
DeQuincey.....	1	25	..	..	1	20	1	..	..
Ebenezer.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Elton.....	1	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Gloster.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Iowa.....	1	21	..	..	..	..	..	..	21
Jennings.....	1	33	1	28	1	5	3	..	..
Kinder.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lake Charles.....	1	30	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Loranger.....	1	35	..	..	1	8	..	..	3
Lutcher.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
New Orleans (First Italian)....	1	36	..	..	1	16	3	3	10
Quitman.....	1	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Shamrock.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sweet Lake & Cameron.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
Welsh.....	1	34	..	..	1	32	6	..	21
Weaver.....	1	40	..	..	1	17	..	..	..
Raymond.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Gueydon.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL.....	11	335	1	28	6	98	13	3	55

**HOUSTON DISTRICT**

Alvin, Arcadia, Pearland.....	1	22	..	..	1	28	10	..	..
Bethel and Deadwood.....	1	39	..	..	1	14	12	..	..
Houston: Collins Memorial.....	1	58	..	..	1	45	15	..	30
Hughes Springs & Winnsboro....	2	60	..	..	1	20	10	25	25
La Porte.....	1	25	..	..	..	..	4	..	..
Lufkin Circuit.....	1	26	..	..	..	..	1	..	..
Marshall.....	1	28	..	..	..	..	..	..	40
Morgans Point.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Noonday and Wesley.....	1	20	..	..	..	..	10	..	..
Ore City Circuit.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Polk Circuit.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Port Arthur.....	1	55	1	12	..	..	28	..	..
Rock Hill & Shelbyville.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sabine Circuit.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
South Houston.....	1	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Texas City.....	1	22	..	..	..	..	1	..	..
Woodville Circuit.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL.....	12	374	1	12	4	107	91	25	95

**SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT**

Alamo.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
El Jardin.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lyford.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rio Hondo.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
San Antonio: Trinity.....	1	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
San Juan.....	1	26	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL.....	2	42	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS, GULF CONFERENCE, 1924  
LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT

NAMES OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES	Schools on Charge	Schools using Graded Lessons	Officers & Teachers	PUPILS ENROLLED							Enr. all depts. inc. Cde. Roll, Home Dept.	Avg. Attendance	Pupils, inc. Home dept. who are Ch. Membs. or Prep. Members	Accessions to Church from Sunday School	Paid by S. S. to World Service	Paid for Sunday School Supplies
				Grade Roll	Beginners	Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Senior	Young People	Adults	Home Dept.				
Auburn and Oak Grove.....	1	1	5	5	11	21	15	5	15	15	15		24	60	..	7
Bayou Chene.....	1	1	11	9	11	21	20	20	19	15	21		66	121	7	17
Basile.....	1	1	15	34	22	14	32	16	10	22	28		95	..	..	17
DeQuincey.....	1	1	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		130	..	..	125
Ebenezer.....	1	1	10	6	6	11	17	12	10	15	16		68	55	..	150
Elton.....	1	1	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		40	..	10	97
Gloster.....	2	1	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		68	70	3	18
Iowa.....	1	1	17	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		41	..	..	40
Jennings.....	1	1	24	8	11	6	10	12	10	20	22		79	..	..	156
Kinder.....	1	1	12	21	4	5	21	29	10	14	40	18	73	106	5	100
Lake Charles.....	1	1	36	40	15	20	25	16	9	60	8	53	90	15	..	157
Loranger.....	1	1	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		78	..	..	192
Lutcher.....	1	1	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		135	135	12	157
New Orleans (First Italian).....	1	1	8	27	25	15	15	..	..	..	20		55	15	1	51
Quitman.....	1	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		110	60	1	46
Shamrock.....	1	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		30	65	20	20
Sweet Lake & Cameron.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		35	59	..	40
Welsh.....	1	1	32	18	11	38	42	33	12	15	68	20	185	200	25	382
Weaver.....	1	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		51	..	..	34
Raymond.....	1	1	6	2	..	3	3	3	6	7	14		50	..	..	85
Gueydon.....	1	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		25	33	2	28
TOTAL.....	21	10	265	156	116	137	204	152	92	196	252	91	1183	994	57	1523

**SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS, GULF CONFERENCE, 1924**  
**HOUSTON DISTRICT**

NAMES OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES	Schools on Charge	Schools using Graded Lessons	Officers & Teachers	PUPILS ENROLLED							Enr. all depts. inc. Offs. Teachs. & Pupils	Average Attendance	Pupils, Inc. Home depts. or Prep. Members who are Ch. Members	Accessions to Church from Sunday School	Paid by S. S. to World Service	Paid for Sunday School Supplies
				Cradle Roll	Beginners	Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Senior	Young People	Adults	Home Dept.				
Alvin, Arcadia & Pearland.....	1	39	22	44	25	34	18	29	40	57	27	325	133	107	3	231
Bethel and Deadwood.....	1	17	16	16	20	20	39	26	20	20	25	168	144	19	3	65
Houston: Collins Memorial.....	1	51	64	47	60	99	70	45	35	70	18	559	250	144	14	400
Hughes Springs & Winnsboro.....	1	16	21	11	14	11	5	12	10	22	15	162	100	105	5	110
La Porte.....	1	21	22	16	11	14	5	12	10	22	15	148	80	75	10	68
Lufkin Circuit.....	1	18	16	15	19	22	26	26	9	13	13	110	74	10	2	98
Marshall.....	1	16	15	19	22	21	26	26	9	13	13	151	106	138	11	147
Morgans Point.....	1	5	10	10	10	13	17	17	13	35	35	32	25	62	5	30
Noorday and Wesley.....	1	10	10	10	10	13	17	17	13	35	35	32	25	62	5	30
Ore City Circuit.....	1	10	10	10	10	13	17	17	13	35	35	32	25	62	5	30
Polk Circuit.....	1	10	10	10	10	13	17	17	13	35	35	32	25	62	5	30
Port Arthur.....	1	31	62	12	12	46	28	26	70	54	28	369	196	165	25	316
Rock Hill & Shelbyville.....	1	17	17	17	20	20	30	26	20	20	20	120	90	80	25	65
Sabine Circuit.....	1	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	112	90	80	25	65
South Houston.....	1	11	12	6	6	10	10	12	15	11	11	87	47	24	20	104
Texas City.....	1	19	48	38	22	20	20	15	18	18	18	181	106	130	24	160
Woodville Circuit.....	1	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	45	106	130	24	160
Newville, Texas.....	1	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	45	106	130	24	160
TOTAL.....	26	7	293	245	208	192	209	226	238	232	325	2677	1498	1050	118	1752

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS, GULF CONFERENCE, 1924  
SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT

NAMES OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES	Schools on Charge	Schools using Graded Lessons	Officers & Teachers	PUPILS ENROLLED							Enr. all depts. inc. Cde. Roll, Home Dept. Offs. Teachs. & Pupils	Avege. Attendance	Pupils, inc. Home dept. who are Ch. Members or Prep. Members	Accessions to Church from Sunday School	Paid by S. S. to World Service	Paid for Sunday School Supplies
				Cradle Roll	Beginners	Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Senior	Young People	Adults	Home Dept.				
Alamo.....	1	1	7	12	3	2	7	3	11	17	69	35	22	1	40	42
El Jardin & Rangerville.....	1	1	35	56	37	52	44	39	34	262	166	122	4	189	315	52
Lyford.....	1	1	14	12	10	8	11	10	12	76	38	56	7	.....	65	65
Rio Hondo.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
San Antonio: Trinity.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
San Juan.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
TOTAL.....	3	2	56	24	66	48	67	62	52	11	63	.....	239	200	12	422

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**LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT**

NAMES OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES	Disciplinary Benevolences				Benevolences			Other Cash Items				Grand Total Inc. Disc. & An. Conf. Benev. & Other Cash Items		
	On Apportionment		Children's Day Fund	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Woman's Home Missionary Society	Total Disciplinary Benevolences	Ed. Endow, Bldgs., Special Gifts for use within the Conference	Japanese Earthquake Fund	Total Benev. Ordered by Annual Conf.	Sup. Dist. Supt. incl. House Rent & Ad- ministrative Exp.	Support of Bishops (Episcopal Fund)		Support of Conf. Claimants	General Conf. Expenses
	World Service													
Auburn and Oak Grove.....														
Bayou Chene.....	22					22				25	4	10		61
Basile Elton Raymond.....	125					125				111	22	55		313
DeQuincey.....	370		36	48		454	10		10	217	36	90		807
Ebenezer.....	69					69	80	11	91		7	19		186
Gloster.....										35	3			38
Iowa.....	133					133								247
Jennings.....	350	6			3	359				120	24	60	3	566
Kinder.....	18					18				90	18	40		166
Lake Charles.....	231				51	282	50		50	300	67	135	5	839
Loranger.....	77	12	21		22	132	50			70	13	30		295
Luther.....	60				60					120	10	30		220
New Orleans (First Italian).....	63					63		10	10	60				133
Quitman.....	30					30				30				60
Shamrock & Weaver.....	40					40				81	10	35		166
Sweet Lake, Gyd. & Camrn. ....	166					166				22	8	17		213
Welsh.....	1231	5	137			1373	125	95	220	270	60	135	12	2118
TOTAL.....	2985	23	194	124	3226	315	431	116		1623	294	686	28	6428

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**HOUSTON DISTRICT**

NAMES OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES	Disciplinary Benevolences					Benevolences		Other Cash Items					Grand Total Inc. Disc. & Other Cash Items					
	World Service	On Apportionment				Children's Day Fund	Woman's Society			Total Disciplinary Benevolences	Japan Fund			Total Benev. Ordered by Annual Conf.	Sup. Dist. Supt. incl. House Rent & Ad- ministrative Exp.	Support of Bishops (Episcopal Fund)	Support of Conf. Claimants	General Conf. Expenses
		Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Woman's Home Missionary Society	Woman's Society	Woman's Society		Ed. Endow. Bldgs, Special Gifts for use within the Conference	Ed. Endow. Bldgs, Special Gifts for use within the Conference										
Alvin, Arcadia .....	116	...	37	18	171	...	8	8	91	11	23	...	304					
Bethel and Deadwood .....	4	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	40	6	12	...	62					
Houston : Collins Memorial .....	1469	23	275	54	1821	...	...	...	313	78	187	...	2393					
Hughes Springs & Winnsboro .....	50	...	...	...	50	25	...	25	70	12	25	...	182					
La Porte .....	164	13	38	...	215	...	7	7	111	21	42	...	400					
Lufkin Circuit .....	8	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	25	3	...	...	36					
Marshall .....	200	...	...	...	200	...	...	...	120	24	48	...	392					
Morgans Point .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	102	18	36	...	193					
Noonday and Wesley .....	37	...	...	...	37	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...					
Ore City Circuit .....	...	...	193	113	1231	50	...	50	300	68	140	12	1801					
Port Arthur .....	925	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	25	3	14	...	42					
Rock Hill & Shelbyville .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...					
Sabine Circuit .....	...	...	31	31	136	...	...	...	15	...	...	...	151					
South Houston & Pearland .....	74	...	...	...	226	...	...	...	105	21	42	...	394					
Texas City .....	176	...	50	...	...	...	...	...	40	4	9	...	90					
Woodville Circuit .....	37	...	...	...	37	...	...	...	4	1	2	...	8					
Polk Circuit .....	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...					
TOTAL.....	3261	36	624	216	4137	75	15	90	1361	270	580	16	6454					

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SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT

NAMES OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES	Disciplinary Benevolences				Benevolences		Other Cash Items				Grand Total Inc. Disc. & Other Cash Items		
	World Service		Children's Day Fund	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Woman's Home Missionary Society	Total Disciplinary Benevolences	Benevolences		Sup. Dist. Supt. incl. House Rent & Ad- ministrative Exp.	Support of Bishops (Episcopal Fund)		Claimants of Conf.	General Conf. Expenses
	On Apportionment						Japan Fund	Total Benev. Ordered by Annual Conf.					
Alamo.....	25					25			10	2	4		41
El Jardin & Rangerville.....	136	5				141			60	12	30	3	246
Lyford.....													
Rio Hondo.....													
San Antonio: Trinity.....	1140		103	78	1321	31	31	310	66	135			1883
San Juan.....	75	4	7		86	8	8	60	11	30			195
Turner Tract.....													
San Antonio: Army Post.....													
TOTAL.....	1376	9	110	78	1573	39	39	440	91	219	3		2365

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## SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT

NAMES OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES	NAMES OF PASTORS	MINISTERIAL SUPPORT										CHURCH MEMBERSHIP										SUNDAY SCHOOLS						CHURCH PROPERTY								MISC.				
		Support of Pastor			Support of Dist. Supt.		Support of Bishops		Support of Conf. Clmts.		Total Paid for Ministerial Support	Total Deficiency	Baptisms		Prep. Membs.		Full Membership						Number of S. S. 's.	Officers & Teachers	Enrolled all depts.incl. Cate. Roll, Home dept. Offs. Teachers. & Pupils	Average Attendance	Epw. Leag.		Church Buildings	Estimated Value of Land and Buildings	Parsonages	Estimated Value of Land and Buildings	Val. of Other Prop., Endow'mts, Bonds, etc.	Paid for Building and Improvements	Paid on Old Indebtedness on Property	Present Indebtedness on Property	Curr. Exps. not incl. Ministerial Support	Local Preachers	Subscrs. to Advocates	Amt. Contributed by Ladies' Aid Society
		Total Claim, inc. House Rent	Total Paid, inc. House Rent	Rental Value of Parsonage	Total Claim, inc. House Rent & Ad-ministrative Exp.	Tot. Pd. inc. House Rent & Ad. Exp.	Claim	Paid	Claim	Paid			Children Baptized	Adults Baptized	Prep. Members Recd. during year	Prep. Members Now on Roll	Recd. from P.M. or on Profns. of Faith	Recd. by Transfer	Now on roll not inc. nonres. inact. mem.	Non-Resident Inactive Membs.	Deaths During Year	Senior Members					Junior Members	Estimated Value of Land and Buildings												
Alamo.....	W. F. Hamner.....	100	100	300	10	10	2	2	4	4	116					20	17	52	12			1	1	69	35			1	1500	1	3500	25		180	540	40		7	60	
El Jardin & Rangerville.....	H. H. E. Pohl.....	900	900	300	60	60	12	12	30	30	1002				3	3	2	17	51	12			1	1	69	35			1	1500	1	3500	25		180	540	40		7	60
Lyford.....	L. E. Gower.....																																							
Rio Hondo.....	C. M. Hollett.....																																							
San Antonio: Trinity.....	W. E. Blackstock.....	3100	3100	600	310	310	66	66	155	155	3631					9	23	246	24			1	1	262	166	16		1	94000	1	6000	130	3167	21000	1210	1	12	546		
San Juan.....	S. J. Manning.....	900	900	300	60	60	11	11	30	30	1001					21	12	63				1	1	76	38	26		1	3500			131	200		40		1	210		
Turner Tract.....	L. E. Gower.....																																							
San Antonio: Army Post.....																																								
TOTAL.....		5000	5000	1200	440	440	91	91	219	219	5750	.....	8	16	6	14	52	52	420	36	.....	3	56	407	239	42	.....	4	103000	3	11500	25	261	3347	21740	1290	1	20	816	

## RECAPITULATION

NAME OF DISTRICT	NAME OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT																																							
HOUSTON	C. R. Robinson	16441	14812	2330	1608	1361	326	270	711	580	16771	1841	70	90	94	170	116	106	3036	311	15	26	289	2602	1518	374	119	32	131950	16	36800	.....	2144	1330	2029	3797	15	141	2613	
LAKE CHARLES	H. K. Faulk	18624	17961	2120	1756	1746	301	294	712	686	20787	690	113	112	130	73	166	146	2092	116	23	21	265	2294	1183	335	126	32	122450	13	37600	.....	6829	2076	18572	3673	10	110	2555	
SAN ANTONIO	L. E. Gower	5000	5000	1200	440	440	91	91	219	219	3750	.....	8	16	6	14	52	52	422	36	.....	3	56	407	239	42	.....	4	103000	3	11500	.....	25	261	3347	21740	1290	1	20	816
Totals for 1924		40065	37773	5450	3804	3547	718	655	1642	1485	43308	2531	191	218	230	257	334	304	5550	463	38	50	610	5303	2940	751	245	59	357400	32	85900	.....	25	9234	6762	42341	8760	26	271	5084
Totals for 1923		38202	36805	5335	3455	3300	694	656	1496	1456	42408	1946	31	213	143	101	298	237	5346	422	38	52	511	5844	3080	691	275	66	339100	31	84800	.....	14382	3879	32556	9682	.....	.....	.....	.....
Increase		1863	968	315	349	247	24	.....	146	29	900	585	160	5	87	156	36	67	204	41	.....	.....	99	.....	.....	60	.....	.....	18300	1	1100	.....	25	2883	9785	.....	.....	26	271	5084
Decrease		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	541	140	.....	30	7	.....	.....	.....	5148	.....	.....	922	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

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